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TO: Leslie Dawson
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RE: Minnesota Legislative Update as Reported by Wayne Cox (MCTJ)

MINNESOTA HOUSE

APRIL 24, 1995

Minnesota House Ways and Means Committee cuts cigarette tax from the House Tax bill. The effort was led by Rep. Chuck Brown who cited figures from the Minnesota Citizens for Tax Justice Report.

APRIL 25, 1995

Minnesota House rejected floor amendments to increase cigarette tax by wide margin. Tax bill adopted with no cigarette tax increase.

MINNESOTA SENATE

Senate Tax Committee postponed until next week (if at all) IR Sen. Kiscaden's bill to raise cigarette tax 40 cents a pack. She plans to amend her bill to a 25 cent cigarette tax and keep the present provider tax in place. After House defeat and promised veto, Kiscaden may drop her attempt.

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